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BODY OF ELMER COLE ARRIVES FROM FRANCE

The body of Elmer Cole who was accidentally killed in France during the world war arrived at Brooklyn, N. Y., the latter part of the week, according to a telegram received by B. F. Cole, father of Elmer.

The telegram stated the body was shipped several days ago from France and should arrive on Sunday the 18th, but a letter received later stated the body arrived at Brooklyn on the 16th and will be shipped to his home here for burial within a few days.

The body will probably be shipped by the way of Fort Bliss, Texas and if shipped over this route will reach Roy the first of next week.

The American Legion will have full charge of the funeral and it will be strictly a military funeral; however, the funeral oration will probably be delivered by his old minister, Rev. Hearn and under whose teachings Elmer became a member of the Christian Church here several years ago.

Elmer Cole was one of the early volunteers in the world war, and was attending school in Roy when he volunteered before Postmaster Johnson and was sent to Fort Bliss and after several months training was sent to France and had been on duty over seas several months when he was accidentally killed.

Elmer and two companions were throwing hand grenades during practice one morning and one of the hand grenades thrown by one of the boys struck the one thrown by Elmer and exploded, severely wounding three lads. They were taken to the hospital and Elmer died later, of his wounds. Elmer was only 19 years old when he volunteered, but was a brave boy and was among the first to heed his country's call.

The body will be taken care of by Undertaker Dodds when it arrives at Roy and the funeral will be held the following day. The S. A. will contain a complete obituary of this soldier boy in next week's issue.

REVIVAL NOW IN PROGRESS AT BAPTIST CHURCH

The Revival meetings now in progress at the Baptist Church are being well attended. Much good is being done at the meetings. Rev. Masagee is being assisted by Rev. Smith of Tucuman in the meetings.

WEATHER FORECAST

Dec. 27th., to Jan. 1st., much colder with a winter storm of a blizzardous character, fog and east wind.

Sharp cold wave, zero or below will follow. A blanket of snow from 3 to 5 inches over the mesa can be counted on.

T. H. Polaskie, Mills, N. M.

FIRE NEWS

There is nothing new to report in the fire situation this week as those arrested have not yet had their preliminary hearing and will not for at least a couple of weeks yet as additional information is being secured by the County Officers and detectives. Sheriff Spivey feels sure that the whole matter will be ferreted out within a short time and the guilty party or parties placed where they will be of no more trouble to the citizens of Roy. The Insurance Company's adjuster has not yet reached Roy and until the matter is adjusted there will be nothing further done by the Board of Education regarding the new building, but the Board is determined to have the new building ready for use next September and in the mean time the school will be continued in the Baum and Lucero Buildings.

ROY SCHOOL BONDS SOLD MONDAY. BRING GOOD PRICES

The Roy School bonds were sold to the highest bidder by the Board last Monday evening to Bosworth-Chanute & Co., of Denver, Colorado for the sum of \$84,000 on the dollar and the company is to furnish and print the bonds and also furnish the balance of the legal proceedings and the Board is to receive the accrued interest up to time of the delivery of the bonds from January 1st.

The issue was for \$15,000 and the board is congratulating themselves on this excellent sale of the bonds as the price received is the highest price paid for New Mexico School Bonds sold during the past two or three years.

There were eleven bids on the bonds and the prices ranged from 95¢ to 98½¢. The bidding was practically all done by Denver and Pueblo firms. The money will be available for the bonds within the next three weeks and will be placed in the local banks on interest until needed in the erection of the new school building.

Wagon Mound sold her bonds a few days ago for 95¢ and this goes to show that the money market is rapidly loosening up and is surely a forecast of better times ahead.

H. R. Johnson and wife of Solano were trading with Roy merchants Tuesday. H. R. knows where the best place in the county to trade is and makes his weekly visits to the County metropolis.

Postmaster W. G. Johnson and family, Editor Schultz and Mrs. C. W. B. Leatherman were County Seat visitors the first of the week. While at Mosquero they were the guests of County Clerk Anderson and family.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

From the

President of the United States



The Christmas of 1921 comes to a world which I think we all realize has now set its feet fairly and firmly in the way of rehabilitation and of return to the safe ways of progress and construction.

Our own country may well regard itself as peculiarly fortunate both in its own bounteous resources and by reason of the opportunity which it has enjoyed of making its own good fortune and means to help others.

At this Christmas Season I hope and am very sure that our people will return devout thanks for the blessings that have been bestowed upon them, and renew their pledges of service and usefulness of earnest effort and safe advancement in behalf of the best things in life.

WARREN G. HARDING.

CAPITAL CITY TO GET W. C. T. U. SCHOOL FOR GIRLS SITES OFFERED

The Francis E. Willard Memorial school for girls will be located in Santa Fe. The Board of Directors for the institution have a two session in Albuquerque, Monday and Tuesday and after considering a number of different offers from four or five different cities in the state, finally decided that all things considered, Santa Fe was the most promising location.

The school is fostered by the State W. C. T. U. and will receive an annual appropriation from the national headquarters of that organization and several other endowments. The school has been conducted temporarily at Belen during the past year of two with a score or so of attendants. It will be opened here in the spring if present plans mature and will probably be located on the property of Miss M. E. Disette on College Street of the Collier property on the Cerillos road, both of which have been offered as possible sites.

Santa Fe made very promising offers in the ways of sites, contributions toward construction and maintenance, and other expenses. Mrs. E. L. Hewett, Mrs. M. E. Disette, Mrs. Byrd and Mrs. Patterson, the Chamber of Commerce and other Santa Fe people were active in securing the school for this city as was also Mrs. Solomon Luna, who is one of the largest contributors and who recognized the advantages of having the school located here instead of Belen, where it was first intended to locate it.

There are on file 150 applications for admission at this time, and it is the intention of the directors to try and prepare to take at least half that number by next spring. About \$35,000 is available for building now and much more is in prospect.

HOME FOR CHRISTMAS

W. Fred Odgen arrived Tuesday in his "Flivver" from Brighton, Colorado, and will spend the holidays with his relatives east of town. Fred was an employee of the S. A. force many years ago, but after having spent many years in other occupations he finally jumped into real estate business and is following that line in the Colorado City.

Mr. Gordon Winters and Forest Judy who have been in Logan for the past two weeks, on business, are expected in Roy soon to spend the holidays.

Let's all go to the American Legion Dance Saturday night at the Roy Theatre. Talk about Chow there will be plenty of it, and all cooked in the Army style by the good old KP's a good time assured everyone.

MRS. RUTH C. MILLER TENDERS RESIGNATION RE-ORGANIZE DEPARTMENT

Mrs. Ruth C. Miller has tendered her resignation as director of vocational education and state supervisor of home economics, become effective at once. She has been with the state department of education four years.

Acting under recommendations of the state board of education, John V. Conway, state superintendent of public instruction, has announced that no successor to Mrs. Miller will be appointed. Instead of having one director the work will be re-organized, a supervisor to be appointed for each of the three following branches: Agriculture, home economics, trade and industries. R. W. Foard will continue in charge of the agriculture branch, and the other two supervisors will be appointed at the next meeting of the state board.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY OBSERVED MONDAY

The business houses will observe Monday, December 26th., as a legal holiday and all business houses of the town will be closed all day the 26th. The Post Office will also have a holiday Monday but Postmaster Johnson tells us that both R. F. D. Carriers will make their usual delivery and that he will have the general delivery and Parcel Post windows open from 2 to 3 P. M. So be sure and make your purchases to last over Monday as all business men intend to be closed on this date.

MR. BUSINESS MAN

Have you ever stopped to consider the value of advertisement? Have you ever stopped to consider what this great country of ours would be if it were not for the wonderful art of advertising? Probably you have although the ones of us who have, have only thought "There is another fellow trying to make money." How many have really stopped to consider that if it were not for advertising how little we really could save money. Advertising makes more competition, competition means a slashing of prices, slashing of prices means our saving. When we save more money when we have money we can purchase more when we buy more the merchant can then afford to ADVERTISE any let you know where you can save money. Mr. Merchant, try a little more advertising and see if it does not help your financial conditions as well as the entire community, when more money begins to circulate. Money circulation means more prosperity. Try it.

AMERICAN LEGION ENTERTAINS

The American Legion gave another of those socials last Tuesday evening that we all enjoy so much. The social was held at the Masonic Hall and about 125 guests were in attendance.

Games were played for several hours during the early part of the evening and then came what we were all looking for "That fine lunch" that the American Legion Boys know so well how to serve. After the lunch the balance of the evening was spent in listening to songs by the male quartet, piano music and social conversation.

These social evenings planned and given by the American Legion Boys are always highly appreciated by the public but really don't you think it is about time the public was reversing the order of the business, and they entertain the American Legion Boys a few times. What say you? Let's make the next social entertainment "The Public entertaining the American Legion Boys."

THE METHODIST LADIES MISSIONARY BAZAAR FINANCIAL SUCCESS

The Methodist Ladies' Bazaar and luncheon held at the Home Bakery last Saturday was a financial success and the ladies cleared about \$125.00 at the Bazaar which will be used for missionary purposes. The sale of fancy articles was well attended and the public purchased freely of the articles for Xmas presents. The lunch sale also netted the ladies a fine sum. They wish to thank the public for their liberal support at the Bazaar.

ATTENTION LADIES AND MEMBERS OF AMERICAN LEGION

All ladies eligible to membership in the Legion Auxiliary will meet with the Legion on the first Tuesday night in January at the Masonic Hall, for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year. All members of the Legion are requested to be present at 7:00 P. M. to transact such business as may come before the Post, to give way for the Auxiliary at 7:30 P. M.

Ladies eligible to membership are as follows: Mothers, Wives, Sisters, Mothers by law and adopted Sisters of members of the American Legion. Every lady eligible is expected to be present.

J. N. Nutter and family left Wednesday for their home in Kochler, after having visited for several days with friends and relatives in and about Roy.

The Spanish American acknowledges a letter from the Daily Las Vegas Optic, sympathizing with the people of Roy in the loss of their beautiful new school building. The Optic contained a large front page write up about the fire.

All those who read the ads of Mr. Julius Apple in the S. A. last week please mention the fact to him as we would like to convince our fellow citizen that it pays to advertise in our paper.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Leonhard of Mills passed thru Roy Monday morning enroute to the County Seat. Mrs. Leonhard is a member of the County Board of Education and attended the session of the Board while in Mosquero.

W. R. Holly, prominent of Springer was attending to legal business in Roy the first of the week. Mr. Holly also attended the meeting of the School Board at Roy, Monday evening when the school bonds were sold.

The High School Orchestra is being instructed by Mr. Cope and is progressing nicely and will soon be able to give a program to the public. Mr. Cope tells us the pupils are learning rapidly and that it is a matter of only a short time until the Roy High School will have a fine orchestra.

HARDING BOARD OF EDUCATION HOLDS REGULAR MEETING

The Harding County Board of Education held their regular meeting at the County Seat last Monday. The following members were present:

Myra O. DeFrees, pres., Emma L. Leonhard, member, Wm. G. Johnson, Secretary.

The Board allowed the bills which had accumulated during the past two months and transacted various other matters. A permit was given the David School Board to move their school house several miles north east of where it now stands. The new location being within a mile of the present David Post Office on the T. E. Mitchell land. The present site of the school house is far from the center of the district and also from the center of the population of the district. The school house is to be moved without cost to the district.

A bond election was called for the Kephart District for the purpose of building a new school house. The issue will be for \$25,000 and will be ample to build and equip a modern one room building. The election will be held the latter part of January.

The Board decided to call a new bond election in the Solano District in as much as the boundary lines of the district had been changed since the last election was held. The assessed valuation of the Solano District is over \$500,000 since the new boundary lines have been established and they are entitled to a bond issue of near \$30,000 however, only about \$20,000 will be voted as their new building will be a six room building with a basement under the whole building and the heating plant will be connected with the old building which will be used for a gymnasium. This election will also be held the latter part of January and will no doubt carry by an overwhelming majority.

The Board decided to proceed immediately to make arrangements to sell the Mosquero bonds so that work on the school building could be started by early spring. However it may be necessary to hold a new bond election in this district also, as the wrong form of ballot was used at the last election, and the proceedings being started in one county and finished with the new county board may cause a hitch in the sale of the bonds. The Board made all arrangements for a new election in this district if necessary, and the matter will be decided as soon as the Board gets an opinion from their attorneys, Crampton, Phillips and Darden. The Mosquero issue is for \$23,000 and will be ample to build a fine six room building and if they could sell the old building for a reasonable sum they could build an eight room building which they really need.

The County Superintendent notified the Board that she had apportioned something like \$20,000 to the various schools and that this would take care of the first two months of the school and a greater portion of the third month. The Harding County High School got a little over \$2000 in the apportionment, another portionment of about \$3 per pupil will be made the first of the year. The financial condition of the Harding County Schools is probably the best of any county in the state.

The next meeting of the board will be held the first part of February when the various bond sales will be taken care of.

H. H. ERRETT GETS LAND OFFICE JOB

We have just learned that our friend, the Hon. H. H. Errett, of Clayton, has received the appointment of Register of the United States Land Office at Clayton and will immediately enter upon his duties. Mr. Errett is a well known business man of Clayton and a man well fitted for the office. Congratulate Mr. Errett on his appointment.



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